

HIS HAT THREE WEEKS IN RING AND HIS CAUSE GROWING WEAKER

President Taft Gains Steadily in Strength and Delegates to National Convention, While Roosevelt Is Rapidly Losing Ground.
All Eyes on New York Primary Tuesday.

How Republican and Democratic Delegates Elected Thus Far Will Cast Their Votes

REPUBLICAN.

Instructed for, pledged or favorable to Mr. Taft:	
Alabama (seven districts and six delegates at large).....	20
District of Columbia (one delegate).....	2
Florida (complete).....	12
Georgia (nine districts and four delegates at large).....	22
Indiana (two districts).....	4
Iowa (four districts).....	8
Michigan (two districts).....	4
Missouri (two districts).....	4
New Mexico (six of the eight delegates).....	6
Oklahoma (one district).....	2
Philippines.....	2
South Carolina (five districts and four delegates at large).....	14
Tennessee (seven districts).....	14
Virginia (ten districts and four delegates at large).....	24
Total for Mr. Taft.....	138
Instructed for, pledged or favorable to Mr. Roosevelt:	
Missouri (one district).....	2
New Mexico (two of the eight delegates).....	2
Oklahoma (three districts and ten delegates at large).....	16
Total for Mr. Roosevelt.....	20
Instructed for Senator La Follette:	
North Dakota (whole).....	10
Total for Senator La Follette.....	10
Instructed for Senator Cummins:	
Iowa (one district).....	2
Total for Senator Cummins.....	2
Total number delegates in Republican convention, 1,078	
Needed to nominate (a majority).....	540
ELECTED SINCE LAST TABLE WAS PRINTED,	
SUNDAY, MARCH 17.	
Ninth Alabama, instructed for Mr. Taft; Seventh Indiana, instructed for Mr. Taft; Second Oklahoma,	

Instructed for Mr. Roosevelt; Fourteenth Missouri, instructed for Mr. Roosevelt, with Taft contestants; Seventeenth Michigan, instructed for Mr. Taft; North Dakota, elected by direct primaries and bound to Mr. La Follette; First Iowa, instructed for Mr. Taft. In the Second Virginia, the negroes elected a contestant to the Roosevelt.

DEMOCRATIC.

For Speaker Clark:	
Missouri (whole).....	30
Oklahoma (half).....	10
Kansas (whole).....	20
Maine (part).....	1
Total for Mr. Clark.....	61
For Governor Marshall:	
Indiana (whole).....	30
Total for Mr. Marshall.....	30
For Governor Wilson:	
Oklahoma (half).....	10
Maine (part).....	5
Total for Mr. Wilson.....	15
For Governor Harmon:	
Maine (part).....	4
No preference—Maine.....	2
Total number delegates in Democratic convention	1,094
Needed to nominate (two-thirds).....	729
ELECTED SINCE LAST TABLE WAS PRINTED,	
ON MARCH 17.	
Indiana's State Convention chose its thirty delegates and instructed them for Governor Marshall; Maine's State Convention failed to instruct for any one. Five of the delegates are known to favor Governor Wilson. Four are favorable to Governor Harmon, one to Champ Clark and two have not indicated a preference.	

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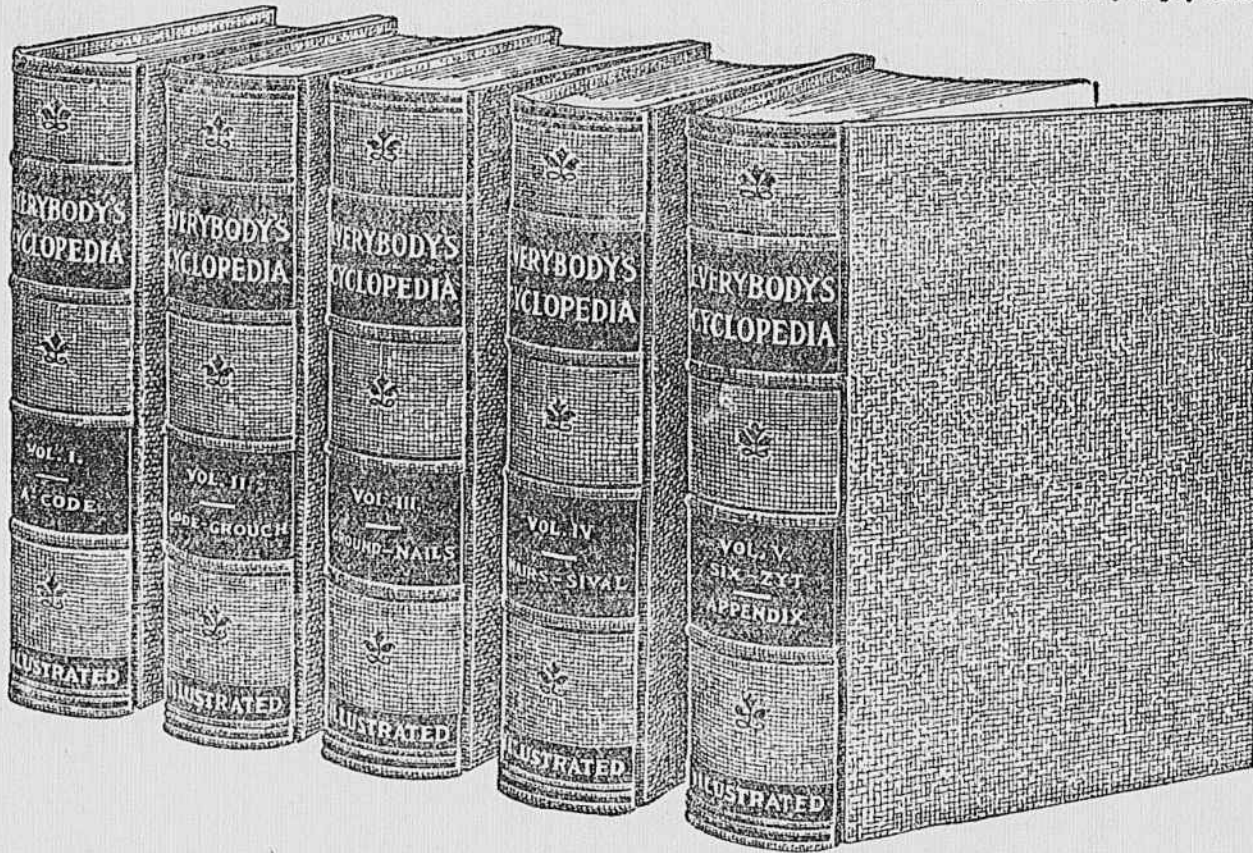
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GRUND IS SOUGHT ON CHARGE OF LARCENY

Winchester Antiquarian Accuses German of Theft of Many Valuable Relics—Valley Turnpike to Be Improved.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Winchester, Va., March 24.—A red-haired German, Franz Grund, aged about twenty-four years, whose bristling mustache is also of a bright and glittering red, is being sought by the police of Winchester and surrounding cities and towns on a charge of grand larceny preferred by Dr. Charles J. J. von Witt, a local antiquarian, who states that Grund carried off a large number of articles from the von Witt collection of antiquities, some of which were once upon a time owned by George Washington, Thomas Lord Fairfax, Marquis de Lafayette, Confederate generals and other notable figures. Grund is a native of Hamburg, Germany, and he recently started on a walking trip from Washington to Pittsburgh, Pa., his baggage consisting of a mandolin in a case. He became stranded in Winchester and was taken in by Dr. von Witt, a fellow-countryman. While the latter was downtown a few nights ago, Grund disappeared, along with a small arsenal consisting of old-time pistols, a gun, swords, daggers and other weapons, as well as some antique jewelry, a Turkish sword, containing many rubies, and a valuable assortment of clothing. The night before he disappeared, Grund told an acquaintance that he intended to go back to Philadelphia, and it is believed that he has sold much of the loot, the antique value of which he did not appreciate. Grund has coarse features and speaks little English.

J. E. Correll, the commissioner of the revenue of Winchester, has sent out a letter to each local taxpayer, calling on them to pay their taxes. The state and city authorities will insist upon a correct return of income for taxation this year, and that the list will be published in a newspaper. He also states that persons failing to give correct returns will be investigated by the grand jury of the Corporation Court, and that the provisions of the law may be indicted.

The Democratic Executive Committee of Frederick county met here yesterday and set apart April 6 as the date for holding a primary for the purpose of selecting a successor to the late Sheriff John M. Silver, who had served less than three months of a four-year term when death overtook him suddenly last Sunday. A large number of candidates are in the field, and Judge T. W. Harrison, of the Circuit Court, has agreed to appoint the candidate receiving the largest number of votes in the primary.

Daniel P. Haines, a lifelong resident of Winchester, and who was for many years engaged in business as a marble-cutter, died yesterday afternoon at about fifty-five years of age. He leaves his widow, who was formerly Miss Elizabeth Correll, one son, two daughters, his mother, two brothers and four sisters.

Rev. George A. Thompson, a well-known United Brethren Church evangelist, who has been conducting revival meetings in Frederick and adjoining counties for more than a year, has gone to Elkton, Md., to preach a trial sermon, and may be called to the pastorate of that church.

Carl Snapp and Miss Anna Myers, members of well-known Frederick county families, were married here last evening at the parsonage of Central United Brethren Church by the pastor, Rev. T. K. Cromer.

The United States government now has added to its list of new post stations, near Front Royal, and many

and disbursing the revenue, raised the tax on moving pictures to such an extent that a fight will be made to have it reconsidered. It also placed a tax of \$300 a year on the Yellow Trading Stamp Company. Corn doctors must pay a fee of \$5 a day. Much larger appropriations were made for streets, sewers, water and fire departments and police.

A large number of automobile owners of Winchester and Frederick county have started a movement to organize an automobile club. It is proposed to lease rooms conveniently located and make their clubrooms attractive for motorists traveling from afar during the motoring season.

Rev. John S. Alfriend, rector of Zion Protestant Episcopal Church, at Charlottesville, Va., has been spending the past week at Pulaaki, with the family of the late Circuit Judge Thornton L. Masale, who was shot and killed one of the Allen band at Hillsville. Rev. Mr. Alfriend was an intimate friend of the jurist.

With a view of attracting faster horses from other sections of Virginia, Maryland and adjoining States for the annual Winchester fair, the Shenandoah Valley Agricultural Society has placed upon the market fifty additional shares of the capital stock of the association, and there has been a corresponding demand for the same. The racetrack will be practically rebuilt and new buildings will probably take the place of several which have become quite antiquated.

M. C. Starcher, assistant horticulturist of the Virginia experimental station, has been in Winchester and vicinity for the past week selecting orchards in which to do experimental work this spring and summer under the direction of the experts of the Blackburg station. It is also planned to hold meetings in the orchards and give practical demonstrations, showing the results of fertilizing, cultivating and spraying.

Howard Sonner, of Strasburg, and Miss Anna Lester, of Winchester, were married several days ago at the home of E. C. Brown, in Martinsburg, W. Va., by Rev. E. P. Fries, of the United Brethren Church, and will make their future home in Martinsburg.

Maynard McCauley, manager of a soft drink establishment, who essayed to be his own lawyer when arrested on a charge of maintaining a place where liquor was distributed, lost out a few days ago, and was fined \$100, sent to jail for thirty days and required to give a bond of \$500. Roy Robinson, who appeared from the Mayor's court, after being convicted on a similar charge, withdrew his appearance and a fine and costs, amounting to \$113.50.

Edward Lee Lupton, son of the late Dr. John S. Lupton, the pioneer apple grower of the lower Virginia Valley, and Miss Emma Fries, daughter of Coursey Fries, were married last week by Rev. Alfred Jones, D. D., at the Presbyterian manse at Kernstown. They will live on Mr. Lupton's large farm at that place.

**AUGUSTA COUNTY
TO VOTE ON BONDS**

Proposed to Borrow \$1,000,000 for Building of Good Roads.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Staunton, Va., March 24.—The people of Augusta county now have something to talk about that will keep them busy till April 30, when the special election on the million-dollar bond issue for good roads will be held. While the subject had been discussed

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Scottsville, Va., March 24.—At a meeting of the Town Council it was decided to macadamize the streets in Scottsville. The Street Committee was instructed to have the work done as soon as possible.

Twelve Years for Murder.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Chatham, Va., March 22.—James Poyce, charged with the murder of George Davis, was given twelve years in the penitentiary. The killing occurred in the store of Charlie Thompson, at Straight Stone, during Christmas week. The evidence was that the accused and his victim had a fight, in which Poyce was struck on the head by Davis, causing a flesh wound, and that Poyce went into the store, followed by Davis, where the trouble was renewed, resulting in the shooting.